Town of Maynard MAYNARD HISTORICAL COMMISSION MEETING Thursday, March 23, 2023

The meeting was called to order by Priscilla Sandberg at 7:04 pm at the Maynard Public Library.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Priscilla Sandberg, Ellen Duggan, Lee Eyler, Brion Berghaus, John Courville, and David Mark.

ABSENT: Ann Gibson and Paul Lesage.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: Ellen moved that we accept the minutes of the February 9 meeting. It was seconded by Brion and approved.

The Commission welcomed David Mark as an Associate Member.

CURRENT ITEMS:

Public Hearing re: the Historically Significant Properties list. Ellen reported on preparation for the hearing at the Library on the 30th.

Maynard's Horse-Watering Trough signage: Ellen and Priscilla met with Justin DeMarco, DPW Director, about posts for trough signage. He would like to see posts match the black powder-coated benches that are in the downtown. They should be 6' tall, 4' above ground/2' below. Ellen has reached out to MassCor for a quote.

Ellen also reported that the relocation of the trough in front of the old fire station is a requirement for the building purchaser. Greg Johnson confirmed that this is part of the RFP.

Additional signage has been installed at Thanksgiving Pond and on the old Mill bell at the Library.

Library Information Fair report: the Commission table was hosted by Ellen, Priscilla and Brion. Paul Lesage was stationed in the historical reference section upstairs. All reported enthusiasm from fair attendees, especially about house plaques and how to do research on your own house.

Amory's Grove Marker: Ellen has collected materials for the marker, which will take shape and be funded through next fiscal year's Commission budget.

Ice House Landing Project: Brion has done the research for an interpretative sign and will work with Ellen to present it to the group.

NEW ITEMS:

MAY 2 is the date for the dedication of the Marble Farm Historic Site. David also reported that a bench has been secured for the site from the Town.

May 6 is the date for the dedication of the Mill bell at the Library.

ADJOURNMENT: A motion to adjourn was made by John, seconded by Ellen, and approved. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00pm.

Next scheduled meeting (subject to change): April 27, 2023